

City of San Antonio Planning and Community Development Department

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Dear Property Owner:

On May 29, 2008, City Council created a River North Planning Team for the purpose of reviewing the Draft River North Master Plan and Regulating Plan. City Council adopted a process and schedule for the Planning Team to bring a Final Master Plan and Regulating Plan back to City Council in September of this year. The first meeting of the Planning Team is currently scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2008.

The City of San Antonio has sought to revitalize the area known as River North through a history of planning efforts, including the 1999 Downtown Neighborhood Plan. The River North Master Plan area is generally bound by I-35 to the north, I-37 to the north-east and east, Houston and Travis to the south and Navarro and Main to the west. In December of 2006, Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) #27 was created in order to implement the goals of the Downtown Neighborhood Plan that pertained to this area. Moule & Polyzoides, the planning consultant, was selected as master planner for River North, held an extensive series of public workshops, charrettes, and presentations leading up to a set of Draft River North Master Plan documents.

At this time, the City of San Antonio is establishing a Planning Team to review these Draft Master Plan documents and guide the public participation process. City Council has requested that there be additional representation on the Planning Team from property owners in the River North Master Plan area. In order to meet this request, one property owner representative will be selected from each of five districts within the Master Plan area. As shown in the attached map the district boundaries coincide with major arterial streets and by the San Antonio River.

Several property owners within the area have requested that property owners be given the opportunity to select a representative from their district by consensus of those interested property owners or by a lottery system should a consensus amongst property owners not be reached. If any <u>one</u> property owner in a district selects the option to hold a lottery, the self nominated consensus process for that district will be forfeited and the lottery system will be utilized. Please return the enclosed metered postcard which will document your interest in being considered for the Planning Team and clarify your preference for selection by a lottery based system or a self nominated consensus process. <u>All property owners, regardless of the number of properties owned, can only submit one card and choose one district to represent, irrespective if the properties fall within multiple districts. If a lottery is to be conducted it will be done by the City of San Antonio City Clerk's Office.</u>

We will receive responses through June 30, 2008, if you are interested in serving on the Planning Team. The lottery and/or self nominated consensus process will be held on Wednesday, July 2, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. at Municipal Plaza Building, City Council Chambers, 103 S. Main Plaza.

The first River North Planning Team meeting will take place on **Monday**, **July 14**, **2008 at 6:00 p.m.** in Training Rooms A and B located on the 2nd Floor of the Cliff Morton Development & Business Services Building, 1901 S. Alamo, San Antonio TX. 78205.

If you have any questions or need more information about River North please contact, either Patrick Howard at 207-7833 or Patrick.Howard@sanantonio.gov or Nina-Nixon Mendez at 207-2893 or Nina.Nixon-Mendez@sanantonio.gov.



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Attachment: River North District Map